**Great Plains Lacrosse**

**Chapter Meeting Minutes**

**January 18, 2010**

**Present**

Justine Wetterer – President

Holly Milledge – Secretary

Tim Hannon - Sportsmanship

Jay Coleman - Education

Hunter Anderson – Membership

Mike Luttera – Diversity

Jennifer Slinkard – Umpire

Jessica Hanna – High School Women

Julie Wittman – Website Communications

Lydia Bauer - Women Post Collegiate

Joe & Pennie Vasta – Youth Women

Joel Henning – High School Men

**Not Present**

Kevin Kelley – Vice President

Matt Wibbenmeyer – Post Collegiate men

Wade Muller – Officials

Mike Manns – Collegiate Men

Dave Wiley – Collegiate Women

Eric Olsen- Hall of Fame

Mark Weisz – Events

Meeting was called to order – Introductions were made.

Great Plain Lacrosse chapter will cover KC metro area, eastern Missouri, Western Kansas

Eventually we would like to include Nebraska, Iowa. After one year we are able to do this.

**Membership –** please encourage all kids to join US lacrosse. Youth it is mandatory. Encourage the high school kids where it is not mandatory to join. We will get a small percentage of their dues in order to run our chapter, put on events, ect..

Hunter will set up a booth at the Rockhurst Jamboree to encourage membership.

We are still looking for a treasurer if anyone knows someone.

**Fast Break –**

We are a fast break site. The programs we have requested are the following in order of preference.

Player's clinic taught by National Team

PE Program

Officials training

Positive Coaching Alliance class

US Lacrosse information al meeting/ambassadors.

We automatically get the equipment grant, one for women and one for men.

**Coaching Clinic is being held February 6th**

Location- St. Paul's School at 4041 Main Street, from 8:30- 4:30.

$15, includes lunch from Planet Sub. They are giving us 50% off box lunches.

Sign up at US lacrosse.org

Bring stick, goggles, mouth guard.

Will go outside if weather permits

**Overland Park Soccer Complex**

Tom Marechek camp coming in June held OP soccer complex.

We would like to have player's clinic there in the fall.

We will meet with Kevin Gray of sports commission to see if he can help us get more lacrosse at the complex.

Possible location for U15/I13 National Lacrosse festival summer 2011.

**PE Program**

How do we get into the schools?

Jay Coleman suggested be a"Guest speaker" at gym class. This goes over better than getting approval from above, and them feeling we are forcing the school to actually play the sport.

Joe Vasta has done clinics before.

**High School/Youth expansion**

Missouri will be harder than KS. Mo high schools are rural and interested in football and basketball. Lacrosse is not the direction they want to go.

Girls in Mo are sponsored to the state tournament only. Girls run their own state tournament.

Topeka and Lawrence– start with youth.

Hunter Anderson contacting a Dad in Lawrence who has a young son that plays. Need to start with youth and then grow in high school.

Go to Parks and Rec

YMCA

Wichita, Holly contacting Dave Sherman to see if youth in Wichita would like to come playing KC one weekend.

**Press Release**

US lacrosse sending a press release out in a few weeks announcing our chapter.

Justin asking if this is sent locally

**Web site**

Julie Wittman will head up forming a committee to bring recommendations to the next meeting. What we need , the costs, ect.

If you'd like to be on this committee please contact Julie.

Reach out to any parents who might be interested as well.

We'd like 4 to 5 people.

We can use our old domain name GPLA.com

**Umpire Clinic Women**

They are looking for indoor space Feb. 14th for Women's Umpire clinic.

**D&O insurance**

We are all covered for the first year by US Lacrosse for D&O Insurance.

After first year we will need to pay for it.

**March 7th Rockhurst Jamboree**

**Next Meeting February 22nd, 7:00 Jewish Community Center.**